GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Revenue (DM) Department – Biological disaster – Amendment to G.O.Ms.No.15, Revenue (DM.II) Department, dt.04.12.2015 - Inclusion of additional Items and Norms of Assistance – Ex-gratia under gratuitous relief @ Rs.50,000/- for Covid-19 death under the State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) – Orders – issued.

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REVENUE (DISASTER MANAGEMENT.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.13 **Dated:-26.11.2021**
Read the following:-

1. G.O.MS.NO.1436, Revenue (DM.III) Department, dt.14.11.2007.
2. G.O.MS.NO.15, Revenue (DM.II) Department, dt.04-12-2015.
3. G.O.MS.NO.153, Finance (HR.II) Department, dt:08.08.2016.
4. G.O.MS.NO.1, Revenue (DM.I) Department, dt.19.03.2020.
5. From the Under Secretary to Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, Lr.No.33-4/2020- NDM-1, dt.25-09-2021.
6. G.O.Ms.No.528, HM&FW Department, dt.06.10.2021.
7. G.O.Ms.No.543, HM&FW Department, dt.25.10.2021.

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O R D E R:-

In the reference second read above, the State Government have adopted the Items and Norms communicated by the Government of India that are eligible for scale of assistance under SDRF/NDRF and also enhanced scale of assistance for certain items over and above the NDRF norms.

2. In the reference fourth read above, the Government, Revenue (DM.I) Department has issued the partially modified list of items and norms of assistance for containment of COVID-19 Virus in India, eligible under SDRF norms.

3. In the reference fifth read above, the Government of India has communicated the revised list of Items and Norms that are eligible for financial assistance of Rs.50,000/- as Ex-gratia to the next kin of deceased person due to COVID-19.

4. In pursuance of the orders issued by the Government of India, in the reference fifth read above the State Government hereby adopt the revised list of items and norms under Gratuitous Relief for extending the scale of assistance Rs.50,000/- to the COVID-19 death. Accordingly, the State Government hereby issued orders amending the G.O.Ms.No.15, Revenue (DM.II) Department, dated.04-12-2015 as shown below by adding as 1(j) after 1(i) to list of items and norms under GRATUITOUS RELIEF.

Sl.No.	Items	Norms
1(j)	Ex-Gratia Payment to the next kin of the deceased due to COVID-19	-Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand only) per deceased person including those involved in relief operations or associated in preparedness activities, subject to the cause of death being certified as COVID-19, as per guidelines jointly issued by Ministry of Health & Family Welfare and Indian Council of Medical Research on 3rd September, 2021. -Expenditure on this item will be incurred from SDRF only, in strict compliance with the aforesaid NDMA guidelines dated 11th September, 2021 -This Ex-gratia assistance will be applicable from the date of first COVID-19 case reported in the country and will continue till de-notification of COVID-19 as a disaster or till further orders, whichever is earlier.

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5. In the reference first read above, the District Disaster Management Authority was created with the Collector & District Magistrate as Chairman. As per the Guidelines issued by Government of India in compliance to the Hon'ble Supreme Court order dated 30.06.2021, the District Disaster Management Authority/District administration is competent to disburse the ex-gratia assistance to the next kin of the deceased persons.

6. In the reference sixth and seventh read above, the HM&FW Department, Andhra Pradesh issued guidelines for sanction of Rs.50,000/- as Ex-graita to the next kin of the deceased due to COVID-19 .

7. In the reference 3rd read above, the Finance Department has issued orders for creation of 13 District Project Managers for monitoring of relief activities at District level, coordinating with all the District line departments and to communicate information to State Disaster Management Authority. The District Collectors shall involve the District Project Managers in disbursement process in turn the District Project Manager shall communicate the information with the approval of the District Collector to the Managing Director, SDMA and HM&FW department about the status of applications received, payments made to the legal heirs and the budget required every month to the Government time to time.

8. The District Collectors in the state are directed to pay the Ex-gratia amount to the next kin of the deceased through Direct Benefit Transfer System (DBT) and also submit budget proposals for release of Ex-gratia @ Rs.50,000/- through the HM&FW department. They are also directed to submit utilization certificates to Revenue (DM) department duly audited by the state audit for the released amounts time to time.

9. The HM&FW department is also requested to submit consolidated proposals to Revenue (DM) Department for release of budget under SDRF norms.

10. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance (FMU-Revenue) Department vide their U.O.No.FMUOASD(REV)/165/2021, Computer No.1550736, dt. 26.11.2021.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

V. USHARANI
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (DM)

To
All the District Collectors in the state.
The Principal Secretary to Government, HM&FW Department, Andhra Pradesh, Velagapudi.
The Commissioner, Health, Medical and Family Welfare, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
The Managing Director, Andhra Pradesh State Disaster Management Authority (APSDMA), Kunchanapalli, Guntur.

Copy to:-

The OSD to Special Secretary to Chief Minister, A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi.
The OSD to Chief Secretary to Government, A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi.
The P.S. to Principal Secretary to Government, Revenue (DM) Department,
The P.S. to Spl. Commissioner, DM & EO Addl. Secy. to Government,Rev (DM) Dept.
The Finance (FMU-Revenue) Department, A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi.
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SECTION OFFICER